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FOR MR. SLOTT FROM CAPT. WARREN

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1. USG RECOMMENDED CHANGES TO SEATO-IAC AGENDA ITEM 2:

CURRENT ASSESSMENT SUPPLEMENT, PART I FOLLOWS:

PAGE 1 ,PARA 1, LINE 6: DELETE QUOTE STRONG UNQUOTE

PAGE 1, PARA 1, LINES 11-15: DELETE AND SUBSTITUTE
QUOTE THE TREATY AREA. MEANWHILE, THE UNSATISFIED AM-
BITIONS OF NORTH VIETNAM AND ASSOCIATED INSURGENCIES
IN SOUTH VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA CONTINUED TO FRUSTRATE
EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE A UNQUOTE.

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PAGE 2, PARA 2, LINES 1-2: AFTER QUOTE SOVIET UNION

UNQUOTE, INSERT QUOTE AND THE PRC UNQUOTE; CHANGE
QUOTE ITS UNQUOTE TO QUOTE THEIR UNQUOTE.

PAGE 2, PARA 2, LINES 5-12: DELETE AND SUBSTITUTE
QUOTE OF A US DETENTE. MOSCOW AND PEKING CONTRIBUTED
SUBSTANTIAL ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO THE
POST-WAR RECONSTRUCTION OF NORTH VIETNAM. IN NORTH-
EAST ASIA THERE WAS A REVIVAL OF SOVIET-JAPANESE CON-
TACTS NOTWITHSTANDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF

DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN JAPAN AND THE PRC IN 1972.
SOVIET-JAPANESE TRADE INCREASED, AND IN UNQUOTE.

PAGE 2, PARA 3, LINES 29-30: DELETE AND SUBSTITUTE
QUOTE SOVIET FLEET UNITS CONTINUED TO MAKE PERIODIC
VISITS TO INDIAN PORTS. FOLLOWING THE LANDSLIDE
VICTORY OF THE UNQUOTE.

PAGE 3, PARA 4, LINES 12-14: DELETE AND SUBSTITUTE
QUOTE OF THE SOVIET UNION IN JUNE 1969. THE NEBULOUS
PROPOSAL HAS BEEN OPPOSED BY UNQUOTE.

PAGE 3, PARA 4, LINE 18: CHANGE QUOTE WOULD INEVITABLY
UNQUOTE TO QUOTE MIGHT UNQUOTE.

PAGE 4, PARA 5, LINES 6-11: DELETE AND SUBSTITUTE
QUOTE TO 'ULTRA-RIGHTISM'. THE PRC'S PRESENT PRAGMATIC
DOMESTIC POLICIES SUGGEST THAT THE POSITION OF PRIME
MINISTER CHOU EN-LAI AND THE MODERATES IS INCREASINGLY
STRONG, THOUGH CERTAIN TENSIONS NO DOUBT PERSIST
WITHIN THE UNQUOTE.

PAGE 4, PARA 6, LINES 17-18: DELETE AND SUBSTITUTE
QUOTE ENHANCING ITS INTERNATIONAL PRESTIGE AND
PARTICULARLY TO BLUNTING ANY THREAT FROM THE SOVIET
UNION. OFFICIAL AND UNQUOTE.

PAGE 4, PARA 6, LINES 31-33: DELETE AND SUBSTITUTE
QUOTE ATTEMPT TO ENHANCE ITS IDENTIFICATION WITH THE
THIRD WORLD AND TO ENLIST INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT FOR
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PEKING'S FOREIGN POLICY AIMS. UNQUOTE.

PAGE 5, PARA 7, LINE 1: DELETE QUOTE ALTHOUGH UNQUOTE.

PAGE 5, PARA 7, LINES 5-7: DELETE AND SUBSTITUTE QUOTE
GOVERNMENTAL CONTRACTS. THE PRC REITERATED ITS SUPPORT
UNQUOTE.

PAGE 5, PARA 9, LINES 31-32: DELETE AND SUBSTITUTE
QUOTE NORTH VIETNAM CONTINUES TO SEEK TO IMPROVE ITS
UNQUOTE.

PAGE 6, PARA 9, LINES 3-8: DELETE AND SUBSTITUTE QUOTE
COMMUNIST LEADERSHIP AND TO SUPPORTING INDIGENOUS COM-
MUNIST MOVEMENTS ELSEWHERE IN INDOCHINA. TO THIS END,
IT HAS MAINTAINED A SIZEABLE MILITARY PRESENCE IN
SOUTH VIETNAM AND MORE LIMITED FORCES IN LAOS AND
CAMBODIA. UNQUOTE.

PAGE 6, PARA 10, LINES 10-21: DELETE AND SUBSTITUTE
QUOTE 27 JANUARY 1973 HAS BEEN WIDELY AND CONSTANTLY
VIOLATED BY BOTH SIDES, ALTHOUGH THE LEVEL OF FIGHTING
HAS BEEN AT A CONSIDERABLY LOWER LEVEL THAN PRIOR TO
THE CEASEFIRE. THE WORK OF THE INTERNATIONAL COM-
MISSION OF CONTROL AND SUPERVISION HAS BEEN OF ONLY
LIMITED EFFECTIVENESS, AND CANADA, ONE OF THE ORIGINAL
FOUR NATIONS IN THIS COMMISSION, HAS NOW WITHDRAWN.
IN LAOS A CEASEFIRE HAS ON THE WHOLE BEEN OBSERVED AND
THE FORMATION OF A COALITION GOVERNMENT AND SETTLEMENT
OF OTHER POLITICAL ISSUES NOW APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN
WORKED OUT. IN CAMBODIA, THE COMMUNISTS, WITH LOGIS-
TICAL AND ADVISORY ASSISTANCE OF THE NORTH VIETNAMESE
ARMY (NVA), HAVE BECOME A SERIOUS THREAT TO THE
GKR. A FOUR PARTY (US-GVN-DRV-PRG) JOINT COMMUNIQUE
WAS ISSUED IN PARIS ON 13 JUNE 1973 UNQUOTE.

PAGE 6, PARA 10, LINES 24-26: DELETE THE LAST SEN-
TENCE.

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